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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Competition in telecom is a good thing. The USTelecom petition would reduce that.

I used to have a local internet provider, Sonic.net when I lived in San Francisco. Their 5mbps service was more reliable and better than the "up to 25 mbps! We promise!" service from Comcast.

At my new apartment in Berkeley, Sonic.net was also available. I tried AT&T first but their service on the same wires was slower and more expensive than Sonic.net!

In 3 weeks I'm getting an upgrade to Sonic.net gigabit fiber for about the same price as my old DSL service. That is a wonderful example of competition doing right by the customer!

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